

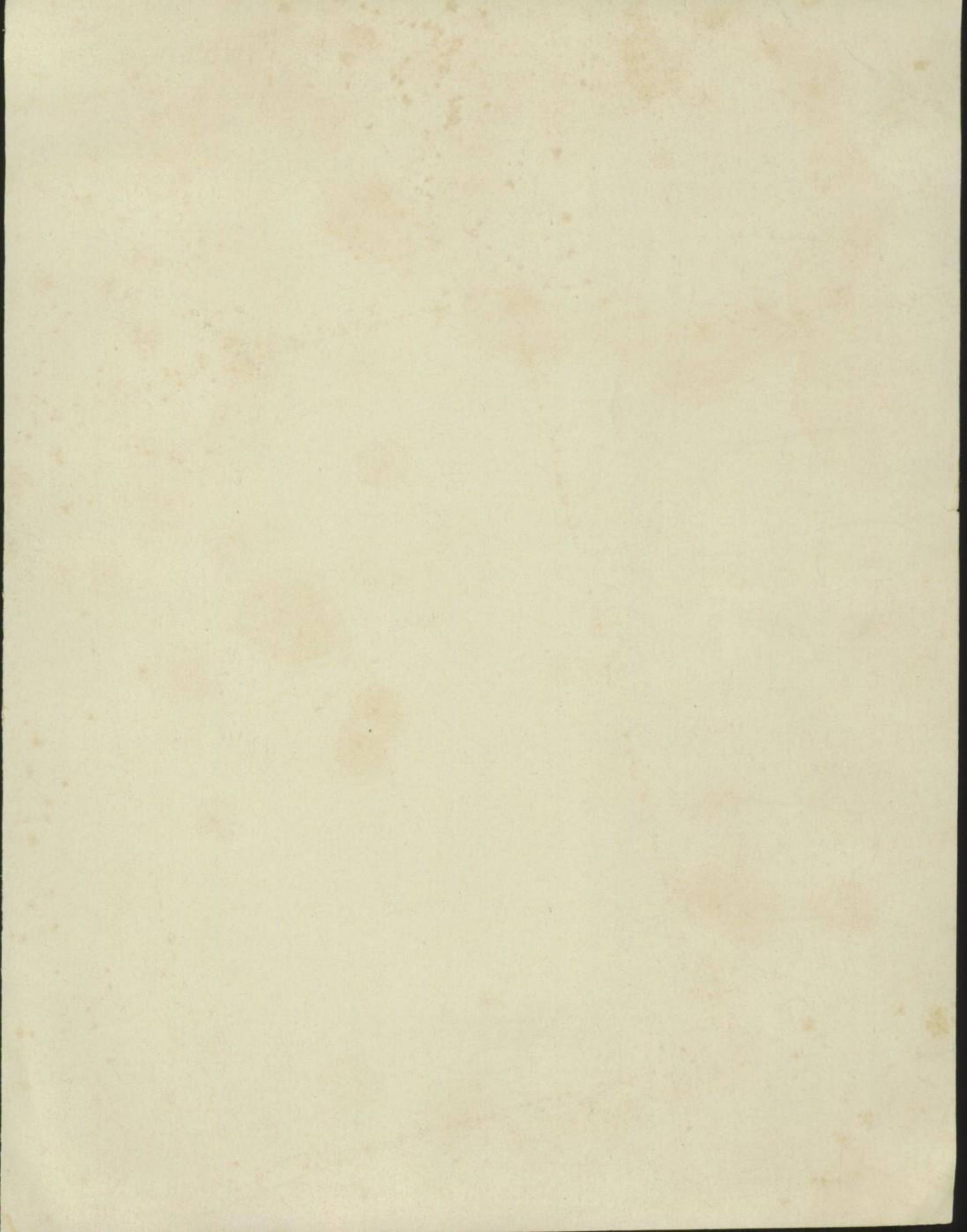


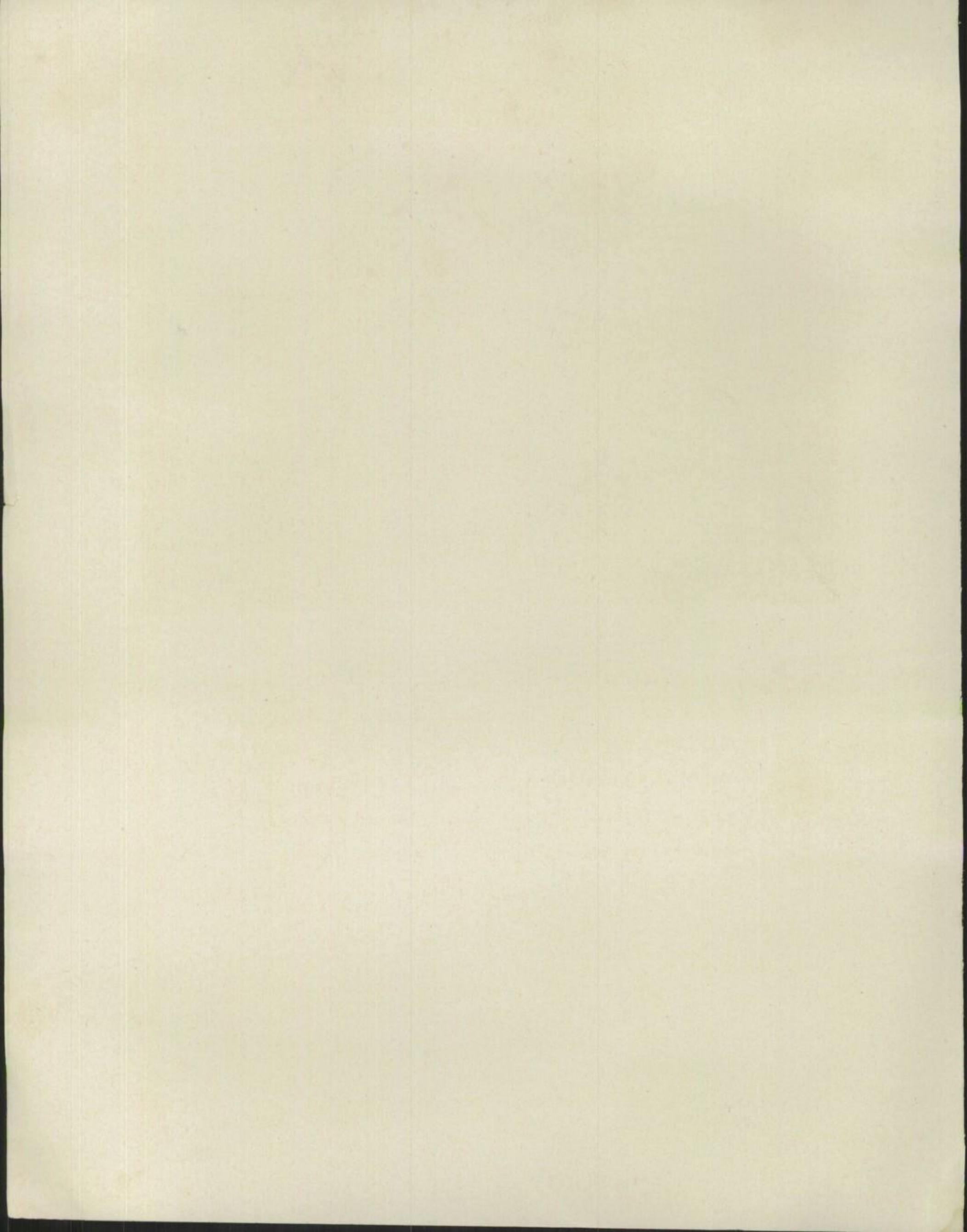
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We formally dedicate this 1942 Senior Edition of the Torchlight to the Okmulgee High School students and graduates who have been, are, or will be a part of the great American fighting forces, giving their utmost at the prime of their lives to their country, loved ones, and homeland that we might ever know the American Way of Life



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Green, Hubert  
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Hendricks, Louise



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 Jones, Walter  
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 Lewis, Frank  
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Wilkins, Kenneth  
 Williams, Nelle  
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Wood, Betty Jo  
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## Skidding

### Cast of Characters

Patsy Loomis	-----	Marion Hardy
Mark Flater	-----	Wayne Trenton, III
Laurie Bodenhamer	-----	Mrs. Hardy
Addison Sessions	-----	Judge Hardy
Mary Louise Haney	-----	Myra Hardy Wilcox
Albert Pierce	-----	Andy Hardy
Marjorie Bloomfield	-----	Aunt Milly
Betty Haniotis	-----	Estelle Hardy Campbell
John Lenox	-----	Mr. Stubbins
Fred Watson	-----	Grandpa Hardy

## Senior Class History

Like all children, the graduating class of 1942 started its amazing journey through the famous portals of OHS with eager anticipation. We didn't know what was in store for us, but we caught the spirit of the hour and, proud but somewhat puzzled, ran to our classes. Our first year was spent in becoming acquainted with the rules and regulations of the school. The fact that most of us became lost the first day, only proves that we were normal.

But when we climbed up a step higher to the eighth grade, we really began to put our foot into things, particularly in our mouth. Why? Because the upperclassmen became jealous. Yes, jealous of our great talents. Mark Flater and Anna Mary Steele were the first to break into the limelight by having their themes published in the TORCHLIGHT.

Then we became freshmen. This year our great dramatic talents were first presented to the public. Five of us went to the semi-finals in the annual speech contest. They were Frank Lewis, Douglas Lott, Avonelle Chaffin, Patsy Loomis, and John Bort. Not only were we

outstanding in the field of public speaking, but we also held top place on the honor roll. It was during this year that the pep squad in OHS really began to organize; and it was the hard work of the freshmen that put the club on its feet.

But we did not come into our own until we reached the tenth grade. Never was there such a sophomore class. We really started popping. All the assembly plays were star-studded with sophomore thespians. Douglas Lott won the original oration award at commencement. But we took scholastic honors, as well. Nelle Williams received the Latin award and Anna Pauline Fosdyke received honorable mention. It was during that year that Derald Lebow showed to the rest of the school that the class of '42 was going to take OHS athletics to the top. The musical world began to hear of the talents of Claude Arnold, Albert Pierce, and Winifred Bascy.

When we became juniors, we scaled enormous heights. But it was no small wonder with such capable class officers as Derald Lebow, Douglas Lott, and Albert Pierce.

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SENIOR SNAPS





SCHOOL SNAPS—SEVENTH AND EIGHTH ADVISORY PRESIDENTS



# JUNIORS

## 1942

### CLASS OFFICERS



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Vice president—Carolyn Gannon  
Secretary—Bill McLeod

### JUNIOR ADVISORS



Mr. Eads, Mrs. Thomson, Miss Louise McLouth, Miss Eva B. Wright,  
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try Bourland, Ginger Sloan, Ruth Cross, Charles Garst.

Third row; James Clendenin (sophomore), Carnell Norvell, Ben Ragsdale (sophomore) Lewis Green, Ben Harned, Charles McGill, Douglas Nichols, Hugh Wilson, James Ross, Kenneth Payne, Paul Elam, Wesley Davis.



Front row: Rae Ann Colchensky, Elizabeth Beaver, Rosalie Barksdale, Betty Ann McTague, Juanita Parkinson, Evelyn Shelton, Mildred Rice, Frances Ussery, Virginia Morgan.

Second row: Dixie Lou Powers, Norma Dean Bold, Ruth Buzza, Nelma Lee Donathan, Virginia Tate, Dorothy Wisener, Shirley Reed, Norell Safreed, Dorothy Jean Baker.

Third row: Burton Mann, Juanita Gilstrap, Viola Hayden, Carmelita McGuire, Mary Olive Phipps, Imogene Morgan, Geneva Millard, Mary Lou Rea.

Back row: Harley Harris, Marshall Wright, J. R. Berry, John Hutchinson, Billy Van Frey, Bill McLeod, Dick Bodenhamer.





First row: Patricia Rebold, Carolyn Gannon, Nil Kenan, Sylvia Jean Grove, Mary Elizabeth Pitts, Marilyn Mason, Elinorann Croom, Anita Bennett, Rita Wright.

Second row: Billy Jean Riley, Nadine Rose, Geraldine Beckham, Geneva Robinson, Alyce Lou Clark, Mary Frances Dooley, Wendell Slaton, Charles Mitchell, Kenneth Biggins, Sam Prevert.

Third row: Jane Harris, Willard Franke, Walter Thompson, Robert Pilkington, J. C. Greenhaw, Fred Fife, Kenneth Streight, Phil Swain, Dick Bailey.

Fourth row: Fred Merliss, Carlos Cornwell, Franklin Howell, Ramon Greenfield, Thadeous Fuller, Duane Green, Raymond Drake.



Front row: Molly Jo McCoy, Eleanor Jean Clements, Laura Leene Baxter, Lola Faye Morgan, Modean Meek, Thelma Kitchen, Betty Jean Musgrave, Virginia Acree, Rose Ann Snelson.

Second row: Bernice Jantzen, Virginia Brooks, Helen Harvey, Goldie Kirkpatrick, Frances Martin, Wanda Edson, Alice Badger, Theresa Franke, Beverley Bennett, Laura Beals.

Third row: Herbert Carson, Dorothy Lee Fast, Kathryn Evans, Lee Manley Brown, David Frakes, Sommers Hornor, Kenneth Shouse, Norma Lee Parker, Wanda Jean Roseberry.

Back row: Jack Kyle, Alvin Wiggs, Delbert Liles, Ralph Beene, Robert Cloon, Carrol Tarvin, Charles Kunkler, Marcel LeGrand.





First row: Joyce Hedrick, Mary Lykins, Margaret Beebe, Betty Schatt, Iris Dean Dethrow, Mary Virginia Haley, Barbara Burns, Phyllis Kay Robinson, Mary Elaine Thomson.

Second row: Mary Lou Biggs, Mary Elaine Compton, Betty June Frisby, Wilma Berry, Jane Ann Barris, Margie Ritchie, Patricia Jones, Lewis Vaughn.

Third row: Juanita Smith, Geraldine Allen, Dayne Her-

ndon, Shelby Gibbs, Edgar Mitchell, Don McAdams, Harold Shumard.

Fourth row: Pat McLarty, Jackie Scroggins, Raymond Jenkins, Arlie Acord (sophomore) Stanford Brewer, Carl Morts, Robert Cutisinger (sophomore) Franklin Easom, Emil Le Grand (sophomore) Raymond Howe, Eugene Copenhaver.



First row: Otis Bennett, Billy Loar, Jack Kyle, Bobby Hollis, Shelby Gibbs, Charles Garst, Jimmy Ford, Harold Grant and Mark Flater.

Second row: Bobby Cash, Harley Harris, David Frankes, Douglas Lott, Albert Pierce, Addison Sessions, and Tommy

Wilson.

Third row: Mr. Valla, sponsor; Claude Arnold, John Bort, Derald Lebow, Bill McLeod, Fred Watson, Joe Hassell and Denzil Skidmore.



# "MIDNIGHT"



## Junior Play

In the excitement of the graduation of the seniors, we are likely to forget another important group—a group that has worked hard and must wait another year before claiming glory.

The junior class of 1942 was a remarkable group. Under the capable leadership of its class officers, Harley Harris, president; Carolyn Gannon, vice-president; and Bill McLeod, secretary, the class moved forward to its record-breaking goals.

The outstanding achievement of the year was the junior play, "Midnight", a mystery thriller in three acts, which broke all financial and attendance records. Members of the play cast included Mary Virginia Haley, Jane Harris, Harley Harris, Jack Kyle, Carolyn Gannon, Shelby Gibbs, Sam Frevert, Bill McLeod, John Hutchinson, Barbara Burns, Nadine Rose, Dorothy Ann Wisner, and Carl Boatman.

Proceeds from junior plays always go for the annual junior-senior banquet. This year's juniors fairly outdid themselves on Friday, May 15 at the Methodist Church. The theme of the banquet was "Maytime", with appropriate decoration in springlike pastels and softly colored lights. The theme was complete even to a May Queen, in the person of Carolyn Gannon. The seniors will long remember such an outstanding banquet. Junior class sponsors for the year were Mr. Eads, Miss Ingram, Miss McLouth, Mr. Penny, Mrs. Thomson, and Miss Wright.

During their five completed years of work within the portals of OHS, the juniors have shown increasing promise. Next year they will begin their last lap in the journey to secure an education. Okmulgee High School has a right to be proud of this crop of students. As they enter the home stretch, we all extend our wishes for a successful senior year.

Mary Virginia Haley	Julia Greenwood
Jane Harris	Claire Greenwood
Harley Harris	Bob Morris
Jack Kyle	Samuel Hardman
Carolyn Gannon	Ellen
Shelby Gibbs	Joe Howard
Sam Frevert	Lenard
Bill McLeod	Hugh Nicholas
John Hutchinson	Mr. Smith
Barbara Burns	Paula Ward
Nadine Rose	Mrs. Wick
Dorothy Ann Wisner	A Photographer







## Sophomore Officers



Douglas Hogan, President  
Doris Lebow, Secretary

## Freshman Officers



Joyce Mann, President  
Dean Hill, Vice-president  
Tomasine Claiborne, Secretary





SOPHOMORE — JUNIOR CANDIDS





## Student Council

This school year of 1941-42 has been the biggest and best yet for the student council. School spirit has been furthered and new activities undertaken as never before.

Setting a heretofore unheard of pace, the council rapidly began laying plans for the election of a football queen. This idea was carried through with considerable enthusiasm from the students, as also was the sale of the red, white, and black school penants. Pep rallies were organized, and goal posts at football games were gaily decorated.

Probably the next important event for the council

was the variety show and box supper held early in February. This affair was presented by the speech class, and was sponsored by the student council. It presents a new activity for the students, and is hoped to become an annual event. The proceeds were used for the purpose of defraying expenses and the royalty on a play for the speech contest.

An oak speaker's stand was presented to the school for the auditorium by the council last March. The stand was constructed in the vocational woodwork class, and was financed from the council treasury.



Derald Lebow, President; Harold Grant, Treasurer; Betty Jo Wood, Secretary; Frank Lewis, Parliamentarian; Mark Flater, Vice-President.





SPRING SPORTS



## BASKETBALL SQUAD



Front row: Wendell Slaton, forward; Marchali Wright, center; Sommers Horner, guard; Jack Kyle, guard; Jimmy Ford, forward. Back row: Lewis Green, forward; Derald

Lebow, guard; Claud Arnold, forward; Buster Harvey, center; Raymond Howe, center.

## THE SPORTS REVIEW

The 1941 Bulldog football team battled its way to renown with the same fighting spirit that has kept Okmulgee on the Athletic map since Coach Ed Brady's arrival at OHS. Their winning streak was broken only by a 7-0 loss to the Conference Champion Tulsa Central Braves and a 0-0 tie with Muskogee.

The Canines won their other eight tilts in grand style and finished in second place just half a game below unbeaten Central. Their most spectacular non-conference victory was over the Oklahoma City Classen Comets, whom the Bulldogs defeated 25-6 for the second time in the last two years.

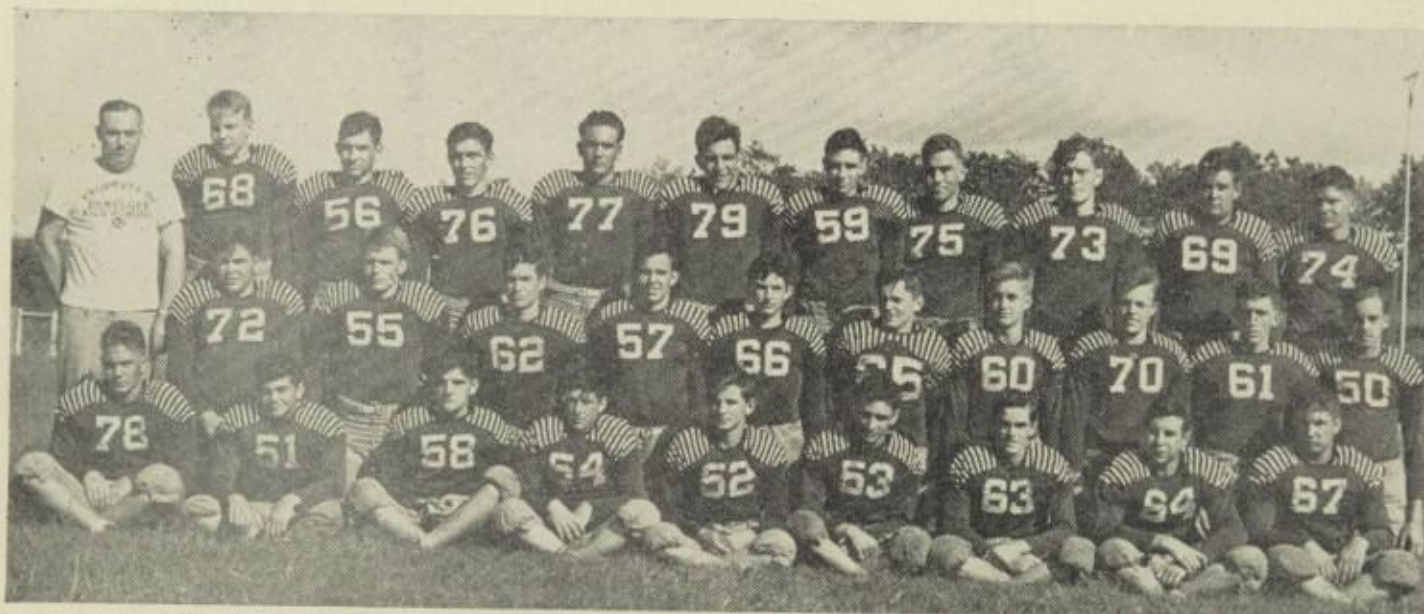
Seven of this year's crop of sixteen lettermen will be lost to the team by graduation, but the prospects are for an even bigger and better squad for next season. The senior lettermen are: Derald Lebow, fullback three years;

Rollie Lykins, guard two years; Harold Grant, half-back two years; Maury Altstatt, tackle; Addison Sessions, end; Claud Arnold, half-back; and Keith Elsensohn, quarter-back, one year.

Derald Lebow, sparkplug of the Bulldog attack, was named on four all-state teams and was the only Oklahoma athlete to gain that distinction this year. Add Sessions, hard-working linesman was placed on the Tulsa World line-up as an all-state end.

Next season's team will be built around the nine junior and sophomore regulars who lettered in '41. Outstanding among these are Stanford Wilks, lettering for his third time and eligible for next year's squad, and Bill McLeod who played all but eight minutes of the entire season at Center. Warren Wallace lettered at guard for the (continued in adv. section)

## FOOTBALL SQUAD



Front row: Warren Wallace, Jimmy Ford, Billie Mitchell, Dick Bodenhamer, Charles Kunkler, Aubrey Kinyan, Kenneth Biggens, Paul Ganus, Eugene Haley. Middle row: Maury Altstatt, Keith Elsensohn, Donald McCormack, Frank Chester, Douglas Hogan, Jack Kyle, Marshall

Wright, Sam Frevert, Raymond Howe, Eugene James. Back row: Coach Brady, Harley Harris, Harold Grant, Rollie Lykins, Bill McLeod, Addison Sessions, Jr., Claud Arnold, Derald Lebow, Stanford Wilks, Sammie Howell, Lloyd Youngblood.





# Torchlight Staff

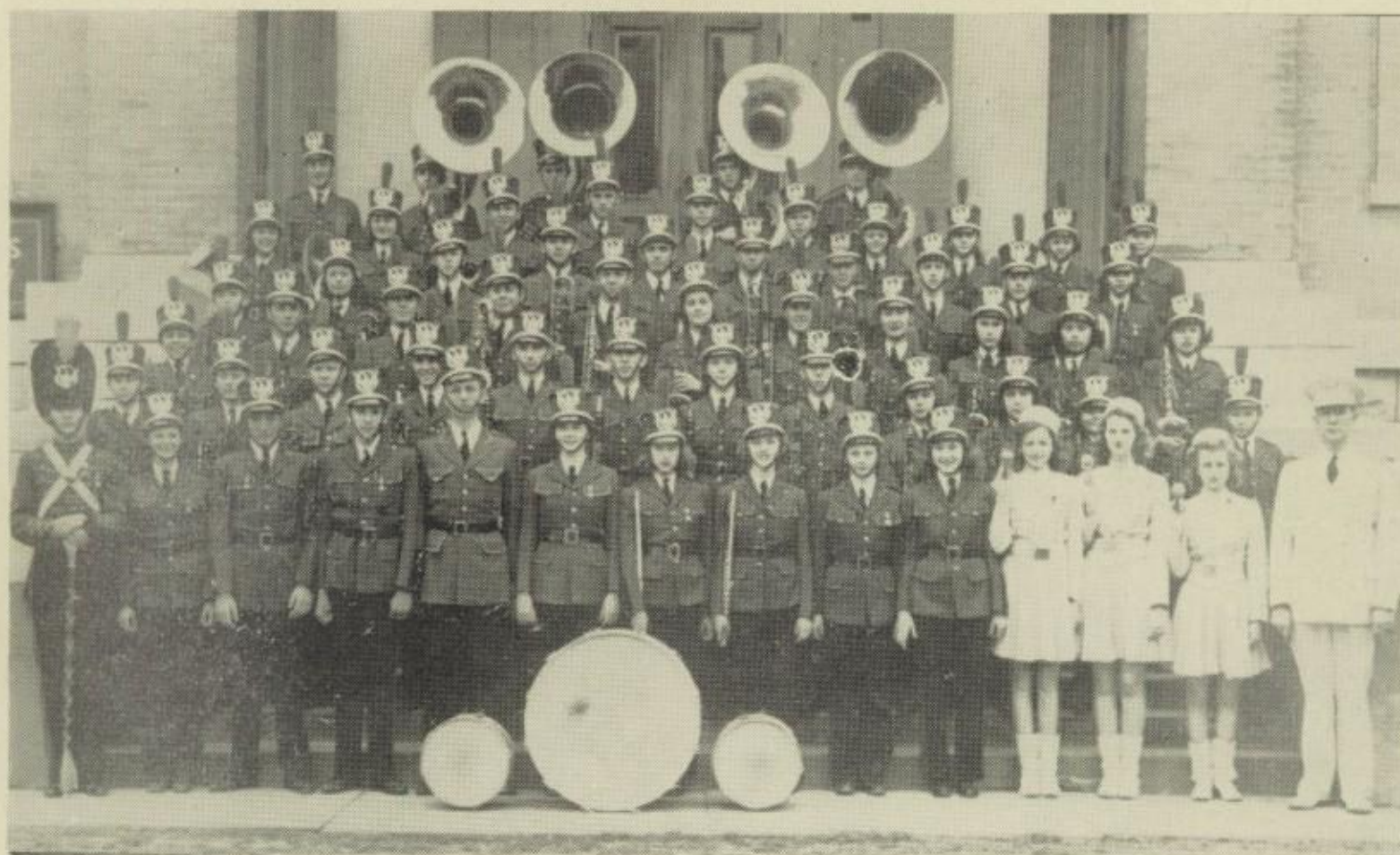
The OKMULGEE TORCHLIGHT staff has completed a successful year of publication, with fifteen regular issues and one senior edition being printed during the past school year.

Two outstanding honors were bestowed upon the Torchlight this year, one from Oklahoma University and one from Oklahoma A. and M. College. The TORCHLIGHT which became a commercial paper in size this year, expanding to seven columns, includes all news, features, and editorials, connected with the Okmulgee Public Schools. It is distributed to 2300 students, which means that the TORCHLIGHT is given to one member of every family in Okmulgee who has a child in school.

Material for the paper is written and compiled by the journalism students, and is printed by the vocational printing class, under the direction of Mr. R. V. Longwith, in the high school print shop. All cuts are made by the printing students in the OHS engraving room, which is one of the most complete school shops in Oklahoma.

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Flater, Gordon Holford, Philip Swain, Bill Bryant, Wilma Bentley, Kenneth Biggins, Peanne Howell, Mary Lou Elam, Dorothy Johnson, Grace Bogie. Fourth row—James A. Nichols, Alice L. Clark, Ralph Denton, Ronald Rogers, Kenneth Shouse, John Harding, Billy Loar, Charles Garst, Reed Nevins, Evelyn Kirkman. Fifth row—Betty O'Bannon.

## O.H.S. BAND

The Okmulgee Music department has brought to a close one of its most successful and interesting years.

Beginning the year with a new band director the band has really made history for itself. The spectacular performances during the football games with red, white, and blue lights will long be remembered by marching band lovers. The band attended three of the out of town football games, chartering a bus to the Tulsa Central game. Undaunted by the pouring rain the band attended the Annual Santa Claus Parade held in Tulsa each year.

A Band Parent club was organized this year which has 65 members. This club sponsored the Pancake Supper clearing \$150 which was used to buy several new uni-

forms and hats.

During the year the band has marched in several parades including Clean Up Week parade, Live Stock Show, Pancake Supper, and several street pep rallies.

After the death of Clyde Williams, the band purchased and presented a trophy to Mr. and Mrs. Williams and daughter in memory of Clyde, their former drum major.

The annual spring concert was given to two full houses. A patriotic theme was used throughout the concert. Appearing for the first time in public, the seventh grade band played on the Band Night program. The junior high and senior high bands also played.



## THE CHORAL CLUB



First row—left to right: Elizabeth Kirk, Mary Haney, Virginia Giles, Rudene Friddle, Kathryn Nay, Winifred Basey, Tommy Oliver, Carrol Tarvin, Claud Arnold, Bob Pilkington, Doug Hogan, Joe Brow, Dorothy Wells, Theresa Le Grand, Mr. Foth. Second row—Helen Gray, Kathlene Delaine, Norma Jean Morris, Jeanne Howell, Barbara Hammer, Wanda Edson, John Bort, Marchell Le Grand, Jr. Selby, Glenn Stewart, Donald Fisher, Bill Frey, Bobby Newkirk, Betty Stout, Pat Merliss, Sue Pierce, Mary Jane Seddicum, Glenda Johnson, Ruby Drummond.

Third row—Joan Shackleton, Frieda Gulley, Joyce L. White, Rita Wright, Nelma Lee Donathan, Elizabeth

Crowther, Dixie Purvine, Harry White, Charles Stewart, J. R. Berry, Alfred Hendricks, Charles Sanders, Billy Allison, Jack Reitz, Dorothy East, Mildred Lawhead, Daisy Boyd, Thelma Kitchen, Margaret Ussery, Reba Vassaur. Fourth row—Gwendolyn Blackwell, Tomasine Claiborn, Annette Teal, Lily M. Davis, Dorothy Wadely, Velma Devary, Martha Daughn, Martha Norris, Carolyn Braunlich, Norma Wood, Betty Foth, Mary Louise Brown, Betty James, Juanita Selby, Sara Lindsey, Mary Killebrew, Huberta Benton, Jean Ford, Geraldine Barnard, Doris Lebow, absent, Doris West.

## MUSIC REVIEW

"The spirit of the glee clubs and choral club has been far above former years" stated Mr. H. S. Foth, "I have never had a choral club where the students were so co-operative as this past year." Different groups of the vocal department have appeared at Rainbow meetings, Baptist Church, P. T. A. programs, Home Ec. open house, Lions Club, and other civic clubs and organizations.

"Hansel and Gretel" the well known operetta was presented by the eighth grade chorus to three full houses. The vocal clubs have appeared on many radio programs. The choral club sponsored a vesper service at the Presbyterian church with the sextet of the band taking part.

The high light of the year was the annual Musical Extravaganza given by the combined vocal department. It included a minstrel, a patriotic group, a modern group, girls' glee club and the quartets.

Taking the place of the annual spring contests both the vocal and instrumental departments sponsored an all day clinic with James Neilson of Oklahoma City as judge and guest conductor. A program was given in the evening to which the public was invited.

Looking forward to next year we say, "Keep 'em playing and singing."



## GIRLS GLEE CLUB



Left to right, first row—Mary L. Haney, Geneva Millard, Virginia Smith, Kathryn Nay, Daisy Boyd, Glendola Millard, Nelma Lee Donathan, Dorothy Wisener, Patsy Jones, Nadine Rose, Laurabelle Brown, Mr. Foth, Second row—Jane Ludwick, Peggy Ramsy, Eleanor Chase, Dixie Purvine, Elizabeth Crowther, Betty Foth, Carolyn Braundick, Jean Bainum, Mary V. Haley, Thelma Kitchen, Reba

Vassaur. Third row—Rosemary Pancoast, Tomasine Clairborne, Glenna O'Bannon, Sarah Shobert, Martha Hanna, Juanita Selby, Francis Martin, Doris West, Geraldine Beckham, and Molly McCoy. Not in the picture are Ruth Buzza, Lillie Davis, Mary L. Frazier, Ruth Anne Graham, Maxine Hamilton, Patricia Merliss, Dora Thomas, and Norma Lee Wood.

## BOYS GLEE CLUB



Back row—Left to right; Glenn Stewart, Charles Shobert, Eugene Buzza, David Frakes, Jack Kyle, Paul Elam, J. R. Berry, Alford Hendricks, Bob Greenwood, Frank Lewis, Thomas Oliver, Harry White. Front row—Bobby Simons, Doug Hogan, Bill Frey, Kenneth Shouse, Lucille

Boatman, Buster Harvey, Claud Arnold, Jim Allison, Marcell Le Grand, John Bort, Charles McGill, Charles Stewart, Bob Pilkington, Mr. Foth. Other members of the club not in the picture are: Sam Frevert, Ronald Rogers, Bill Thompson, and Stan Wilks.













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second year and will be back on the eleven in September. Raymond Howe, end; Jack Kyle, quarterback; Eugene James, fullback; Paul Ganus, guard; Pat McClarty, tackle; and Buster Harvey, end are the other returning first year lettermen.

This years Basketball team, though inspired with same pep as the gridsquad was in competition with some of the tallest quintets Eastern Oklahoma has ever turned out. However, even against these odds, the boys won thirty percent of their games and placed sixth in the conference of seven teams.

Lettermen are: Derald Lebow, guard three years; Claud Arnold and Louis Green, forwards two years; Jack Kyle, guard two years. First year lettermen are: Marshall Wright, center; Wendall Slaton, forward; Sommers Horner, guard.

High spot of the track season, was the Oklahoma six conference meet at Tulsa in which Basil Barksdale pole vaulted 11 feet 6 inches to place first in that event and break the Conference record of 11 feet 3 inches established two years ago. Okmulgee rated third in team events at the meet.

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## HISTORY OF THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 1942

The highlight of the year was the junior play "The Youngest." There was so much talent in the class that we had to have a double cast. The cast included Mark Flater, John Bort, Pat Oliver, Dixie Purvine, Laurabelle Bodenhamer, Betty O'Bannon, Jean Wheeler, Raelee Cunningham, Kenneth Cline, Jerry Davis, Fred Watson, Douglas Lott, Addison Sessions, Albert Pierce, Patsy Loomis, Nancy Bingman, Betty Jo Wood. The class had a greater net profit than that of any previous class play presented in the high school auditorium. With this we honored the 1941 graduating seniors with an unforgettable banquet. The setting of palm trees, leis, and soft lights made the Hawaiian atmosphere perfect. But our class sponsors were due honorable mention for all their untiring efforts to make things run smoothly. They were: Miss Louise McLouth, Miss Frances Campbell, Mr. L.L. Wright, Mr. Carl Newton, and Mr. Lewis K. Moffat. Heartbroken, love-sick adolescents are told not to "Carry the Torch." But when we completed our junior year that's just what we did—we carried the torch. Not in resigned contempt for our predecessors, but with unequalled enthusiasm and pride. Seventy-eight juniors took part in the torchlight ceremony. At this commencement six juniors won honors. Lora Emmons received the scholarship award from the Board of Education for receiving the highest average of the year; John Bort received honorable mention in dramatic reading; Douglas Lott won the standard oration and the essay awards; Billie Jean Hornbarger received honorable mention Latin award; Lora Emmons received honorable mention and Mark Flater won the DAR American History award.

Then in the early fall of 1942 we became "dignified" seniors. We started the year right by electing Derald Lebow president of the student body. Soon after this, a heated campaign took place in the senior class. Charlotte

Lucas was elected president, Fred Watson, vice-president, and Patsy Loomis, secretary. We received a popular precedent by having a football queen elected by the student body. Then with the spring came the eagerly waited senior play, "Skidding." The cast included such well-known personalities as Laurabelle Bodenhamer, Albert Pierce, Betty Haniotis, Fred Watson, Mary Louise Haney, Patsy Loomis, Marjory Bloomfield, Addison Sessions, John Lenox, and Mark Flater. Many claimed that this was the greatest production ever witnessed in the dramatic history of OHS. The class proved to be "true blue Americans" by investing the proceeds of the play in United States War Bonds. Only through the wonderful assistance of Miss Middlebrook, Miss Rena Gionta, Miss Martha Dillman, Miss Norma Dunlap, Mr. L.L. Wright, and Mr. Henry S. Foth, our class sponsors, could all this have been attained. This memorial to the school proves that the class is good American material. Last but far from least, the school was honored to have seven athletic Supermen from the senior class. These boys received letters because of their outstanding work in football, basketball, and track. They are Claude Arnold, Maurie Altstatt, Basil Barksdale, Harold Grant, Derald Lebow, Rollie Lykins, and Addison Sessions.

And now as we draw near the end of our illustrious career, we think back with fond memories of the day when we first started up the steps of the now familiar school. We were only sparks then. Now, as we approach our commencement we realize that we are the full flaming torch. Though the path be stormy, the flame shall not waver but will burn with the same undying spirit that has been predominant in our eventful yet brief sojourn in Okmulgee High School.

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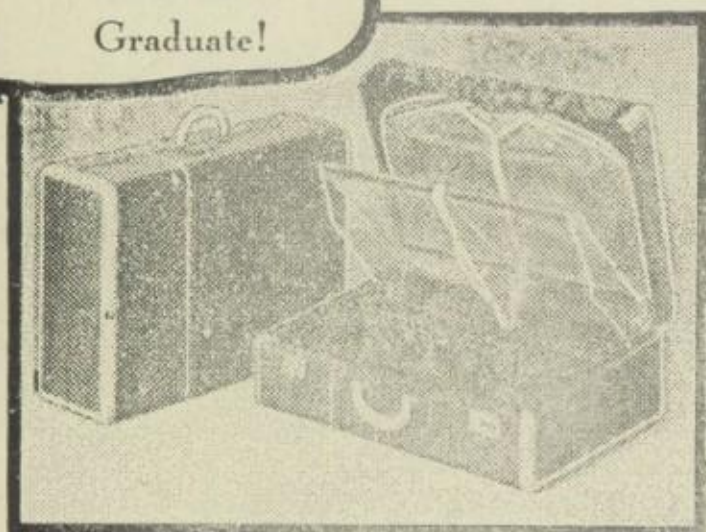
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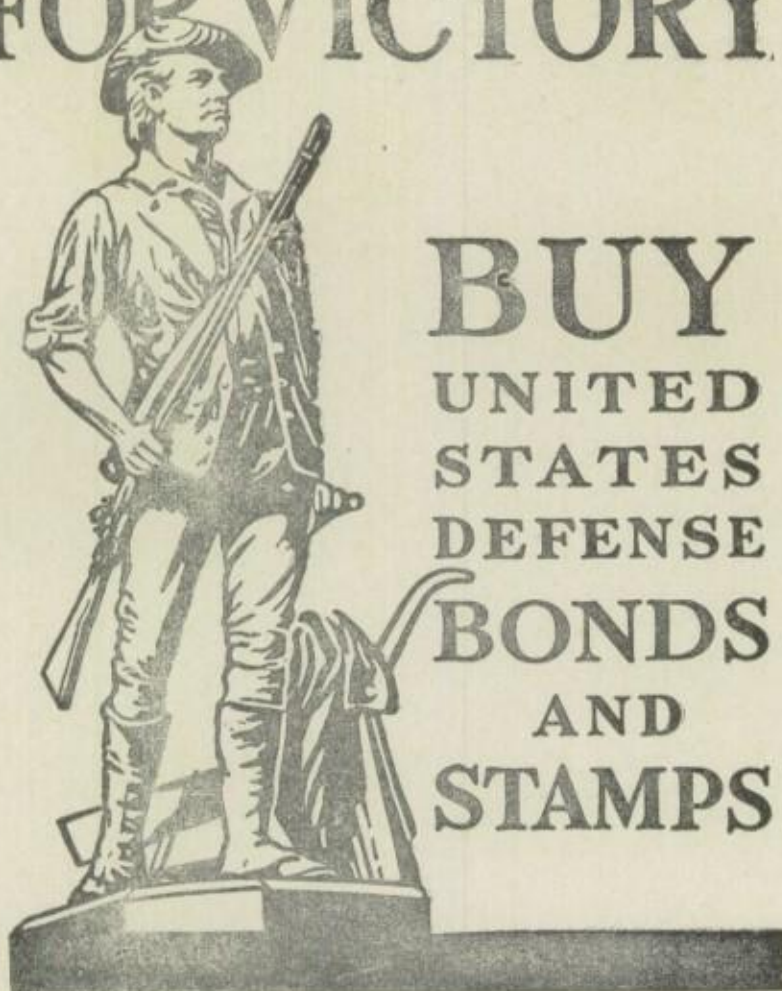
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